

AGENDA



Thursday, May 14, 2009

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 28**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with: EFFECTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC, Mesquite, TX; USA ENVIRONMENT, L.P., New Braunfels, TX; TAS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, L.P., Fort Worth, TX; and EAGLE CONSTRUCTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, LLC, Eastland, TX, for soil remediation and equipment decontamination services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 each and combined, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 each and combined per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 each and combined.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$416,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining seven months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Shawn Harris, Buyer II/505-7351

Purchasing Language: Best four evaluated proposals of six proposals received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

This contract will provide for soil remediation and equipment decontamination services for Austin Energy (AE). AE anticipates the need to remediate sites that have been identified as containing materials impacted by regulated levels of contaminants such as gasoline or petroleum hydrocarbons. In some cases, these sites are being prepared for redevelopment in compliance with local, state, and federal regulatory agencies.

These services may include decontamination of equipment, structural members, tanks/vessels, and other items that have been identified as being impacted by regulated substances. Contaminants being addressed under this contract may include Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), pesticides, heavy metals such as mercury and lead, and other organic and inorganic compounds and waste. Multiple contractors are needed in order to assure competitive timely response and expertise. As projects are identified, each contractor will be given the opportunity to submit pricing for the individual project. The lowest bidder meeting the requirements of each individual project will be awarded the work for that project.

An Austin Energy team with expertise in environmental remediation and decontamination unanimously chose the top four proposals of those submitted. The criteria evaluated included the proposed response to the scenario scope of work, prior experience, personnel qualifications, and total evaluated cost.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/4

MBE/WBE bid: 0/1

PROPOSAL ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred notices were sent, including three MBEs and four WBEs. Six proposals were received, including one WBE.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best four evaluated proposals received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.